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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: **Board of Occupational Therapy Practice**

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, July 15, 2015 at 4:30 p.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room A, Cannon Building

MINUTES APPROVED: September 2, 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT

Kelly Richardson, Professional Member, President Karen Virion, Professional Member, Secretary Mara Beth Schmittinger, Professional Member Evan Park, Public Member Angelita Mosley, Public Member

MEMBER ABSENT

There were no members absent.

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Kevin Maloney, Deputy Attorney General Jennifer Witte, Administrative Specialist II

OTHERS PRESENT

Christina Welsh Kim Pierson Christina Cutts Nicole Casazza Ann Neal Alfreda Rodriguez Preeti Talreja

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Richardson called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

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REVIEW OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Ms. Schmittinger, seconded by Ms. Virion, to approve the minutes from the May 6, 2015 as presented. The motion was unanimously carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Telehealth Discussion for Proposed Regulations

The Board continued its discussion on amending the rules and regulations to add regulations pertaining to telehealth from the May meeting, using proposed rules and regulations from the physical therapy Board as a guide.

Ms. Pierson gave great insight as to how telehealth has begun in the A.I. Dupont Hospital for Children. They now have a telehealth department set up at several surrounding facilities such as St. Francis Hospital, Christiana Hospital, and Phoenixville. Ms. Pierson added that one of the biggest components is a secure network.

The Board will review the final amendments at their September meeting.

Review NBCOT Request for Consideration

Last fall the Board was paid a visit by a representative from NBCOT who shared some of the new services that they would be providing to licensees through an online portal.

Some of these new tools have been implemented and NBCOT would like the Board to give consideration to these new tools.

NEW BUSINESS

Ratify Applications for Occupational Therapist/Occupational Therapy Assistant

A motion was made by Ms. Richardson, seconded by Ms. Schmittinger, to ratify the approval of the following applications:

Christel Garrett (Occupational Thrapist)

Joy Burkley (Occupational Therapist)

Jacqueline Thaw (Occupational Therapist)

Alison Odle (Occupational Therapist)

Alanna Giordano (Occupational Therapist)

Margaret Capelli (Occupational Therapist)

Jennifer Mulraney (Occupational Therapist)

Timothy Parks (Occupational Therapy Assistant)

Hillary Prozzillo (Occupational Therapist)

Courtney Loose (Occupational Therapist)

Carolyn Edwards (Occupational Therapist)

Michele Davis (Occupational Therapy Assistant)

Nancy Taylor (Occupational Therapist)

The motion was unanimously carried.

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Review of Continuing Education Activities

Ms. Richardson made a motion, seconded by Ms. Virion, to approve the following continuing education activities as presented:

Care Resources

- -Pediatric Vestibular Rehabilitation: Who, What, How and When, 12 hours
- -Myofascial Release for Pediatrics, 15 hours
- -Treatment of the Baby and Young Child, 14 hours
- -Linking Play to Function; Utilizing Neurodevelopmental and Sensory Integration Strategies to Facilitate Functional Skills Through Play, 13 hours
- -Taping to Improve Alignment, Strength & Function in Children, 15 hours
- -Connecting the Dots Between Medically Complex to Functionally

Competent: An Intermediate NDT Course for Infants & Toddlers, 15 hours

<u>Delaware Technical & Community College</u>

- -Enhancing Functional Outcomes for Clients with Neurological Challenges Using the NDT Approach, 7 hours
- -2015 Fieldwork Educator's Workshop, 6.5 hours

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-Annual Pediatric Therapy Conference 2015, 6.5 hours

ATI Physical Therapy

-Al National Sports Medicine Summit 2015, 12 hours

CIAO Seminars/Oncology Rehab Partners

-3rd Annual STAR Program Connection Conference, 12.5 hours

Delaware Occupational Therapy Association

-Adult and Geriatric Special Interest Group – May 15, 2015, 1.5 hours

The motion was unanimously carried.

Review and Consider Recommendation of Chief Hearing Officer – Patricia Vilani

After review and consideration, a motion was made by Ms. Richardson, seconded by Ms. Schmittinger, to accept the recommendation of the Chief Hearing Officer for Patricia Vilani. The motion was unanimously carried.

Review and Consider Recommendation of Chief Hearing Officer - Nicole Casazza

After review and consideration, a motion was made by Ms. Richardson, seconded by Ms. Schmittinger, to accept the recommendation of the Chief Hearing Officer for Nicole Casazza. The motion was unanimously carried.

Review and Consider Recommendation of Chief Hearing Officer - Lori Porter

After review and consideration, a motion was made by Ms. Richardson, seconded by Ms. Schmittinger, to accept the recommendation of the Chief Hearing Officer for Lori Porter. The motion was unanimously carried.

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Review of the Rules and Regulations

Ms. Slaughter, Executive Director, addressed the Board with some internal conflicts with regards to late renewal licensees.

Clarification will be added to the proposed amendments to the Rules & Regulations that will be ready for final review at the September meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY)

There was no other business before the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 2, 2015 at 4:30 p.m. in Conference Room A, 2nd floor, Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Ms. Richardson made a motion, seconded by Mr. Park, to adjourn the meeting. The motion was unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Tennifer L. Witte

Administrative Specialist II